



General Assembly

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Referred to Committee on Judiciary

Introduced by:
(JUD)

AN ACT CONCERNING A SEXUAL ASSAULT SERVICES TRUST FUND.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004*) There is established a Sexual
2 Assault Services Trust Fund. The fund shall contain the moneys
3 authorized pursuant to section 2 of this act, and any other moneys
4 required by law to be deposited in the fund, and shall be held in trust
5 separate and apart from all other moneys, funds and accounts. Any
6 balance remaining in the fund at the end of any fiscal year shall be
7 carried forward in the fund for the fiscal year next succeeding.
8 Investment earnings credited to the fund shall become part of the
9 fund. Amounts in the fund shall be expended only pursuant to
10 appropriations by the General Assembly, for the fiscal year ending
11 June 30, 2005, and each fiscal year thereafter, for the purpose of
12 providing funds to the Department of Public Health for sexual assault
13 crisis services furnished to victims of sexual assault in this state,
14 provided such amounts so expended shall not supplant any state or
15 federal funds otherwise available for such services.

16 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004*) In addition to any fine, fee or

17 cost that may be imposed pursuant to any provision of the general
18 statutes, the court shall impose a fine of one hundred fifty-one dollars
19 on any person who, on or after the effective date of this section, is
20 convicted of or pleads guilty or nolo contendere to a violation of
21 subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 53-21 or section 53a-70, 53a-
22 70a, 53a-70b, 53a-71, 53a-72a, 53a-72b or 53a-73a of the general statutes.
23 Fines collected under this section shall be deposited in the Sexual
24 Assault Services Trust Fund established under section 1 of this act,
25 except that the clerk of the court shall retain one dollar of each such
26 fine for the administrative expenses of the court.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2004</i>
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2004</i>

Statement of Purpose:

To establish a Sexual Assault Services Trust Fund, funded by an additional fine on sex offenders, as a dedicated source of funding for a coordinated community response to sexual assault.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]